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Re:

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Methods for the Preparation of Polyol Esters that are Light in Color For:

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

- 1. Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111;
- 2. Power of Attorney From Assignee;
- 3. Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b), with copy of Assignment attached; and
- 4. Return postcard.

It is noted that the Assignment document appended to the enclosed Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b) was recorded at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on June 16, 2004, starting at reel 014733, frame 0395.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

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